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X (all sent by Mr. Levitt Harris from St. Petersburg, with letter dated $\frac{5}{17}$ July, 1811). Also,

Adelung's 4° pamphlet, "Rapport entre da langue Sanscrit et la langue Russe." St. Petersburg, 1811; "from the author, whose name is not in the publication, but in Mr. Harris' letter, of 28 Aug., 9 Sep., 1811." Also,

Fischer's Onomasticon, 4°, Moscow, 1821, with a letter from John Adams, dated St. Pet., 15 Sept., 1811, communicating Prof. Fischer's wish to become a correspondent of the Society. Also,

Mem. de l' Acad. St. Pet. with letter from Secretary Fuss. Also,

Marcel's Chrestomathia Chaldaica and Hebraica, 2 Vols., 8°, Paris, 1803.

1811. Dec. 6. (Barton; Nichols, Collins, DuPonceau, J. B. Smith, J. R. Smith, Patterson, Vaughan.)

Donations from Capn. John Davy: Vopa Deva's Sangskrit Grammar (Moogdhuboodha), 12°; an extensive Vocab. Bengalee-English, 8°, Calcutta, 1793; W. Carey's Mahratta Grammar, 2d ed., Serampore, 1808; Bowditch's remarks on the comet now visible, and the solar eclipse of 17 Sept., 1811, at his present residence, Salem, Mass.

Peale's Museum being entirely removed to the State House, Mr. C. W. Peale requested to be released from his lease, "if the Society could otherwise dispose of the house." Referred to Patterson, Vaughan and Collins.

No application for Magellanic Premium.

1812. Jan'y 3.* *Between 2 and 5 o'clock*, P. M. (Barton, Patterson, DuPonceau, Collin, Tilghman, Pennington, Nichols, Hare, Vaughan.)

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

President—Thomas Jefferson.

Vice-Presidents—Wistar, Barton, Patterson.

* No meeting is noted on the minutes as having been held Dec. 20, as it regularly should have been.

Secretaries—James, Hewson, Chapman, Cloud.

Curators—J. R. Smith, Collins, Hare.

Counsellors—Collin, Rush, Tilghman, Ellicot [*sic*].

Treasurer—John Vaughan.

1812. *Jan'y* 17. (Patterson ; J. B. Smith, DuPonceau, Col. J. Williams, Tilghman, Collins, Vaughan, Nichols, Gibson, J. R. Smith ; Drs. Collin, Allison, Barton, Coxe, Mease, Fothergill, Chapman, James.)

Donations: Wilson's Am. Ornithology, Vol. IV ; Wistar's Anatomy, Vol. I ; Smith's Laws of Pa., Vols. I, II, III ; Dobson's Eclectic Repertory, Vol. I, &c. ; DePaykull's Monographia Histeroidum ; Equity laws of the Grand Duke Yaroslaff, in Russian (oldest known code of laws in Russia, 1017, A.D.), presented by P. Poletica.

Penn's Charter: " Dr. Barton having informed the Society that there is in the possession of M^r. Joseph Anthony of this city the *original* Charter of Privileges from William Penn to the people of the Province of Pennsylvania ;

" *Resolved*, That William Tilghman, P. S. Duponceau, & James Gibson Esq^{rs} be a Committee to wait upon M^r. Anthony & request, on the part of the Society, the said Charter to be placed among the Archives of the Society."

Election of three new members: José Correa de Serra, Secretary Royal Society, Lisbon, now residing at Paris ; Robert Walsh, Junior, of Philadelphia ; Benjamin Allen, LL.D., of Philadelphia.

Librarian elected: John Vaughan.

1812. *Feb'y* 7. (Barton ; Allen, and 9 others.)

The Committee reported that they had obtained the Penn Charter, dated October 28, 1701. Thanks to Mr. Anthony voted.

Committee on Peale's lease reported ; report recommitted ; Duponceau added ; Committee authorized to advertise.

Sale of State House Yard: "It having been mentioned that the Legislature had appointed a Committee to consider of the propriety of selling the State House Yard—

"*Resolved*, That J. B. Smith, Wm. Tilghman, Jno. Vaughan, R. Patterson & B. S. Barton, be a Committee to attend to the Interests of the Society should a Sale be determined upon."

Specimens of *Urtica canadensis* ? Liu. "which affords Hemp," were sent to the Society "by Mr. Whitlow who has obtained a patent for his discovery, & received great encouragement at Washington."

Donations: "Mr. Seixas presented an impression in paper of a die cut by Furst in this city, of his father Gershom M. Seixas, on account of its superior execution."

Communication: "On the Height of the New Hampshire White Hills taken by Barometrical Measurement; also a statement of the principles of this mode of measurement;" by A. Partridge, Cap. Eng. Referred to Allen, Patterson, J. R. Smith.

1812. *Feb'y* 21. (Patterson; Duponceau, Collins, Matlack, Vaughan, J. B. Smith, Nicolls [*sic*]; Drs. Allison, Allen, Currie, Barton, Hewson, Mease, Conover, James.)

Legal opinion on the subject of Peale's lease was read, and the Committee's report laid over.

Report of Committee on Partridge's memoir adopted.

1812. *March* 6. (Patterson; Rawle, Sansom, Binney, Nichols, Vaughan, Duponceau, Williams, Gibson, Clymer, Matlack, J. B. Smith, Hare, J. R. Smith; Drs. Allen, Barton, Allison, Mease, Coxe, Chapman, Wistar, James.)

Donations: L'Escallier's *Grément des Vaisseaux*; Mer, 2 Vols., 4°; his *Exposé . . . Guienne*, 2d ed.; *Vocab. des termes de marine*, 3 Vols., 4°; Larreatique's *Desc. bot. du Cheranthodendron*; L'Escallier's *Geologie de la Guadeloupe*, 4°; L'Escallier's *Bakhtiar Nameh*, translated, 8°, Paris, 1805;

L'Escallier's *Climat de Ligurie*, 4°, 1808; Oltmann's *Tables hypsometriques*, 8°, Paris, 1811 (presented by Baron Humboldt); Clarke on Fevers, 8°, Edinburgh, 1801; Barton's *Elements of Botany*, 2d ed., 1812, Vol. I.; Smith's *Laws of Pa.*, Vol. IV; De la Tynna's *Almanach du Commerce de Paris*, 1809.

Lease: A letter from Jer. Warder, Junior, was read, offering to lease the vacated Peale rooms for "a Literary society now forming."

Lease of the rooms to Mr. Sully: Report of the Committee, adopted, and the Committee empowered to execute a lease to Mr. Sully.

1812. *March* 20. (Barton; Abbé Correa de Serra, and 12 others.)

Committee on lease to Mr. Sully reported progress.

Donation: Rock crystal from Madagascar.

Dr. Alex. Montgomery's letter dated Frankford, Kentucky, February 25, "describing the Earthquakes that had occurred there," was read.

N. E. room, second story "[called the Printing Room]," ordered to be reserved for the use of the Society, in the lease to Mr. Sully.

1812. *April* 3. (Barton; Correa de Serra and 9 others.)

Donations: Pope's Bridge architecture; Trans. Geol. S.; Benezet's Collection of Indian Treaties, Fol° (presented by Robt. Proud); Ann. de l'Obs., Turin (through Consul Russell at Paris, with his enclosure of Prof. Eandi's letter).

"Miss Aikin made a present of the binding of the *Columbiad* belonging to the Society."

1812. *April* 17. (Wistar; Patterson, Isard, Duponceau, Collins, Correa, Nichols, J. B. Smith, Vaughan, Mease, Barton, Hewson.)

Donations: Pamphlets from Edinburgh; Wilson's Ornithology, Vol. V; Diaper and Jones' trans. of Oppian's Halieuticks, 8°, Oxford, 1722 (presented by J. Morris); Libozchitz's Tab. Bot. en Russie.

1812. *May* 1. (Patterson; and 11 others.)

Donations: Gay Lussac's Recherches, 2 Vols., 8°, 1811; Destutt-Tracy's Elemens d'Ideologie, 3 Vols., 8°, 1806; Michaux's Hist. des Chênes; Dupuis' Analyse de l'Origine de tous les Cultes, 8°, Paris, 1804; Cabani's Coup d'Œil, 8°, 1804; Cabani's Rapports du Physique, &c., 2 Vols., 8°, 1805; and several pamphlets.

Librarian directed to prepare a list of papers ready for publication.

1812. *May* 15. (Barton; Collins and Vaughan.)

1812. *June* 19. (Barton; Garnet, Correa, Moore, and 8 others.)

Donations: Tondi's Tab. Syn. d'Oreognosie, 1811; Pallas' Dicty. 4 Vols., 4°, and other works.

Communications from Jefferson: W. Lambert's letter relative to an error in the Nautical Almanac; Abstract of calculations "to ascertain the *Longitude of Washington*, which he makes to be 76° 54' 36'' ¹⁴³ West of Greenwich." Referred to Patterson, Garnet, Allison.

A letter from Tim. Alden relative to a Descent in a Diving Bell near Portsmouth, New Hampshire, and to the discovery of some quicksilver in Dover Town, New Hampshire; referred to Allison, Collins, Mease.

Dr. Barton read a tribute of respect to the memory of the late Jonathan Bayard Smith, which was referred to the Board of Officers.

1812. *July* 17. (Patterson; Binney, Du Ponceau, Collin, Gibson, Nichols, McKean, Yrujo, Hare, Vaughan; Drs. Chapman, Fothergill, Parke, James, Hossac, Wistar.)

The report of the Board, was read, recommending that the Librarian procure a Book “in which shall be registered the Death of their members in the order in which the same shall become known to the Society accompanied by such biographical accounts of the deceased as may be furnished either by order of the Society or voluntarily by any friend of the deceased, & that the memoir read by Dr. Barton be inscribed in said book.” Adopted.

“Dr. Hossac of New York read a paper on the laws governing the communication of contagious diseases.” Referred to Wistar, Hewson, Chapman.

Election of a new member: Mr. Robert Adrain, of New Brunswick, New Jersey.

1812. Aug. 22. (“No quorum.”)

1812. Sept. 18. (Patterson; Barton, Collin, Mease, Williams, Du Ponceau, D. R. Patterson, Vaughan.)

Donations: Œuvres de Turgot, Vol. I, 8°; Am. Med. and Phil. Register, Vols. I, II, 8°.

Sand and dust thrown up by Eruption of St. Vincent's in June, 1812, from Geo. Hallam, of Connecticut, through Talbot Hamilton. “The vessel on whose deck they fell was 50 miles from St. Vincent's.” Also another specimen from the deck of the *Halcyon*, when 80 miles distant; presented by Dr. Betton.

Minerals from Cornwall, from Mrs. Hannah Barnard, of Hudson, New York.

1812. Oct. 2. (Patterson; Barton, Nichols, Williams, Mease, Chapman, D. R. Patterson, Vaughan.)

Donations: Lowber's Ordinances of Phila., 8°, 1812; Harkworth's Synopsis Plantarum, 8°, 1812; Flora Batava, by Sepp and Kops, Nos. 23 to 33 (34 wanting), 35 to 38,* 4°; Tondi's Tableau; Synoptique d'Oreognosie, 8°, 1811.

Lava from Mt. Etna, brought by the late General Eaton.

* Duplicate 36.

1812. Oct. 16. (Wistar; Barton, Patterson, Williams, Nichols, Correa, Collins, Collin, Allison, Dr. N. Patterson, Vaughan, Mease.)

Donations: Gouan's *Hist. des Poissons*, 4°, 1770 (with Latin version); Wilson's *Ornith.*, Vol. VI.

1812. Nov. 6. (Barton; R. Patterson, Williams, Correa, Nichols, Mease, R. M. Patterson, Vaughan.)

Librarian reported a list of papers ready for publication. All delinquent Committees ordered to report.

Priestley's Eulogium: Dr. Barton's request for permission to withdraw it to be enlarged, and published separately, was referred for consideration to the next meeting.

Donation: Karasmin's *Pantheon of the Russian Poets*, Fol°, from M. Svenin, who "added a translation of one of the articles;" Coxe's *Emporium of Arts, &c.*, Vol. I.

1812. Nov. 20. (R. Patterson; Wistar, Barton, Williams, R. M. Patterson, Collins, Collin, Mease, James, DuPonceau, Vaughan, Nichols.)

Donations: Lava from Mauritius; Williamson's *Hist. N. Carolina*, 2 Vols., 8°, 1812; *Trans. R. Swed. Acad.*, 1806–1811.

Verbal communication on towing boats, especially with a long painter, by Jon. Williams, was ordered to be reduced to writing.

Dr. Barton's request granted. (Vide Nov. 6.)

1812. Dec. 4. (Wistar; Correa, Matlack, Nichols, Vaughan.)

Hossac's "Observations &c.," reported for publication.

No paper offered for the Magellanic premium.

Dr. Barton read "Observations on *Phalæna tineæ*, &c.," by J. W. Referred to Correa, Hewson and Collins.

1812. *Dec.* 18. (Barton; Vaughan, Correa, Hare, Nichols, Wistar, Mease, Collin, Dr. Patterson, Hewson.)

Report on J. W.'s "Observations &c.," laid over. Dr. Barton read additional Observations, by J. W. Referred.

Donation: Henry Lee's Memoirs of the War, 2 Vols., 8°.

1813. *Jan'y* 1. *Between* 2 and 5 p. m. (R. Patterson, Dr. B. S. Barton, Mr. Collins, Dr. Chapman, R. M. Patterson, Jos. Cloud, J. DeCorrea, Jonⁿ. Williams, P. S. Du Ponceau, Dr. Abercrombie, Dr. Andrews, Jno. Vaughan, Dr. Collin.)

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

President—Thos. Jefferson.

Vice-Presidents—R. Patterson, Dr. B. S. Barton, Dr. Wistar.

Secretaries—Dr. T. C. James, Hewson, Chapman, R. M. Patterson.

Councillors—White, DuPonceau, Williams, Binney.

Councillor for one year, vice J. B. Smith—Ed. Pennington.

Curators—R. Hare, Z. Collins, J. R. Smith.

Treasurer—Jno. Vaughan.

1813. *Jan'y* 15. (Mr. Patterson; Collins, Williams, Correa, Vaughan, W. Barton, Collin, Allison, Barton, Dr. Patterson, James, Hewson, Wistar.)

Donations: Davy's Elements, I, i, 1812; Cat. Lib. U. S. Capitol, 8°, 1812.

Librarian elected: Jno. Vaughan.

"Improvement on Ship-pumps," presented July 17, 1795, was returned to the author "at his particular request," through its original presenter, Mr. Patterson.

1813. *Feb'y* 5. (Wistar; Binney, Williams, Smith, Nichols, Vaughan, Mease, Hewson.)

Donations: Ewing's System, 8°, 1809; Mellish's Travels in